

Docket No.: 58799-098



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of	:	Customer Number: 20277
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Atsushi TAKANE, et al.	:	Confirmation Number: 8082
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Application No.: 10/681,116	:	Group Art Unit: 2881
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Filed: October 09, 2003	:	Examiner: J. L. Smith
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For: CHARGED PARTICLE BEAM APPARATUS	:	

AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated April 22, 2004 regarding the above-identified application. The period for response is extended by concurrently filed petition to run six months from the date of the Action, that is to say, until October 22, 2004. An amendment to the specification appears on page 2. The listing of claims, showing claim amendments, begins on page 3 of this response.